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Amendments to the Specification:

This listing of the specification will replace all prior versions of the corresponding paragraphs of the specification in the application.

Listing of Amended Paragraphs of the Specification:

Please amend table 1 at page 24 to read as follows:

(Table 1)

medi- um No.	informa- tion layer No.	film thickness of each layer [nm]				resord- ing layer	optical constant of recording layer				optical characteristics of each information layer alone							optical character- istics in laminated layers	
		lower protec- tive layer	record- ing layer	upper protec- tive layer	reflec- tive layer		n _{ij}	k _{ij}	n _{ej}	k _{ej}	R _a (%)	R _c (%)	ΔR (%)	T _a (%)	T _c (%)	(T _a +T _c) /2 (%)	(T _a -T _c) /T _a (%)	eff. R _a (%)	eff. ΔR (%)
(0)	4	44	20	33	40	oxygen flow rate	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	30	7	23	1	1	1.0	-	4.6	3.5
	3	22	15	11	0	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	9	3	6	74	63	68.5	0.15	2.9	1.9
	2	17	10	6	0	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	8	2	5	70	64	67.0	0.09	4.8	3.0
	1	11	8	6	0	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	6	3	3	78	69	73.5	0.12	6.0	3.0
(1)	4	44	20	33	40	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	30	7	23	1	1	1.0	-	4.4	3.4
	3	22	15	11	0	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	8	2	6	70	64	67.0	0.09	2.6	2.0
	2	22	10	11	0	16 secm	2.5	0.50	2.0	1.00	9	4	5	75	72	73.5	0.04	5.5	3.0
	1	11	8	3	0	16 secm	2.5	0.50	2.0	1.00	5	2	3	80	76	78.0	0.05	5.0	3.0
(2)	4	55	20	33	40	26 secm	2.5	0.25	2.0	1.00	30	6	24	1	1	1.0	-	4.1	3.3
	3	22	15	22	0	24 secm	2.5	0.30	2.0	1.05	16	8	8	66	61	63.5	0.08	5.4	2.7
	2	22	10	11	0	22 secm	2.5	0.38	2.0	1.10	9	4	5	77	72	74.5	0.06	5.5	3.0
	1	11	8	3	0	16 secm	2.5	0.50	2.0	1.00	5	2	3	80	76	78.0	0.05	5.0	3.0

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Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 30, lines 11 to read as follows:

According to Table [[2]]3, in the medium samples (1) and (2), the error rate is improved compared to the medium sample (0), which is a comparative example. It is believed that the reason for this is that since, in the medium sample (1) and the medium sample (2), the difference in the transmittance between the case where recording has been performed and the case where recording has not been performed is small in the information layer located on the near side, the coefficient of variation of the envelope is low and the error rate is decreased.